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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.114 / REQUEST FOR PERSONAL INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

February 27, 2003

Sir:

Further to the amendment filed on December 27, 2002 in response to the Office Action dated September 27, 2002, the Applicant respectfully requests that the present application be further amended as follows, and the rejection of record be reconsidered in view of the amendments and the following remarks, in which a personal interview is also requested.

No marked-up version of the amendment is included in this response, as this amendment only adds one claim.

A petition for a two-month extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination are being filed concurrently herewith.

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